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Connecticut Maritime Cluster Comprehensive Economic Study

The draft Economic Impact Study report conducted by APEX Companies, LLC for the Connecticut Maritime Coalition, Inc. consolidated multiple sectors into three main categories: waterborne cargo; ship building, marina, fishing, etc; tourism. Waterborne cargo activities are those associated with loading off loading, piloting and inland movement of goods.

The draft report indicates that the waterborne cargo element accounts for approximately: 8,860 related jobs, \$393M total payroll, \$24.7M to the state in taxes, \$27.4M to local governments in taxes and \$78.M in federal taxes.

Additionally, the draft report indicates that the waterborne activities provide \$689M to the state's GDP and has an overall \$1.1B total effect on the State's economy. The total effect for all maritime categories is estimated to be \$5B.

Respectfully,

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